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Misses Target by 1,800 Yards

U.S. Plane Bombs Village; 2 Die

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SAIGON, South Vietnam (AP)

A U.S. warplane supporting a Marine drive dropped a bomb on a village 1,800 yards short of its intended target tonight and killed two Vietnamese civilians, an American spokesman announced. He said one civilian was injured.

The strike was made at the village of Thon-Phu Gia, 30 miles southwest of Hue. The mistaken bombing came roughly 60 miles from the border ter-

ritory where two bombs that fell short from a supporting warplane killed 16 Marines and wounded 11 Saturday.

U.S. B52 Stratoforts unloaded a cascade of bombs on an enemy base camp close to Saigon and the Viet Cong retaliated with an outbreak of grenade throwing in and near the capital.

Although more than 1,000 South Vietnamese troops pushed a search-and-destroy mission in the Mekong Delta 105 miles

south of Saigon, ground fighting across the country dwindled and only light skirmishes were reported.

U.S. planes Monday had their busiest day over North Vietnam in weeks, flying 93 bombing missions or 300 to 350 individual strikes. This was still well below the average of 150 missions flown daily before the monsoon storms moved north.

In one of the missions two all-weather Navy Intruders from the carrier Kitty Hawk struck

only five miles from Haiphong, North Vietnam's main port. The jet bombers made radar precision runs on a missile assembly installation, and one of the pilots said the explosions "looked like flashbulbs in the night."

The B52 raid hammered at a Viet Cong base camp and storage area 30 miles north of Saigon, repeating raids last week in the same area aimed at knocking out the lairs from which the Viet Cong launch terror attacks against the capital.

The closest B52 raid to Saigon was staged last March 28, when the eight-engine bombers hit 18 miles southeast of the city.

Three terrorist attacks in and around Saigon were reported. All the terrorists escaped.

In the air strikes against North Vietnam Monday, U.S. Air Force pilots reported knocking out five trucks in a camouflaged convoy spotted 42 miles north-northwest of Dong Hoi.

American pilots struck eight times in the demilitarized zone

separating North and South Vietnam and reported wrecking a series of North Vietnamese trenches and bunkers.

A delayed report from U.S. military headquarters told of two 7th Fleet destroyers silencing a radar site Saturday on the coast of North Vietnam 12 miles north-northwest of Dong Hoi. The destroyers Ingersoll and Keppeler bombarded the radar installation with five-inch guns and reported afterward the radar stopped transmitting.

Tass Says Hanoi Hit by U.S. Bombs

First Raid Inside City Limits
Results in Major Destruction

MOSCOW (UPI)—The Soviet news agency Tass said American planes bombed residential areas within the Hanoi city limits for the first time Tuesday.

Tass said American fighter-bombers streaked over the North Vietnamese capital at low altitude and dropped their bombs on workers districts situated along the Red River.

"Scores of buildings were destroyed in the first raid that ensued," Tass said. "Smoke from fires is hanging over the city. Scores of ambulances are taking the wounded to hospitals

and first aid centers." Tass correspondent Y. Koblev said "It is for the first time in the two years of the undeclared air war that American planes have bombed residential areas within the Hanoi city limits."

At the time of the reported Hanoi raid, Tass said, American planes bombed the Hanoi suburb of Dabram and the southwestern outskirts of the capital.

Tass quoted a Hanoi Radio reported that four American planes were shot down and several American pilots captured.

1,143 Cast by 1 P.M.

Bond Balloting Ahead of 1962

More than 1,500 voters had turned out by 1 p.m. today in the \$16.65 million bond issue to improve the water and light utilities. The 1 p.m. total was about 500 ahead of the turnout for an electrical bond referendum in December, 1962.

The largest total in today's election at 1 p.m. was at Precinct 3F, Fairview School, where 117 Columbians had cast their

ballots. The city total at 1 p.m. was 1,543.

In the 1962 special election the total vote was only 3,046 out of a possible 18,000 registered voters.

The news room at The Missourian will be open this evening to handle the special election returns. For information call 442-3161 after 7 p.m.

Here is the total vote at 1 p.m. by precinct:

Ward 1B-72, 1C-24, 1D-65, 1E-45, 1F-63, 1G-10, 2A-42, 2B-32, 2C-32, 2D-51, 2F-101, Ward 3A-73, 3B-82, 3C-62, 3D-62, 3E-82, 3F-117, Ward 4A-34, 4B-45, 4C-42, 4D-51, 4E-115, 4F-66.

The bond election in 1962 carried 2,859 to 147. Today's referendum needs a four-sevenths majority for passage, since it is revenue bonds that are up for approval.

Happy Birthday Tomorrow

Russell M. Bradley, Doris Ann Boyce, James Cox Sr., Jimmie Carl Davis, Glenn Gillespie, Sterling W. Kelly, Mrs. Carol McQuarry, Miss Jean Smith, John Cunningham Wardlow, Max Woods

IN FLIGHT UNIFORM, 1st Lt. G. Kent Bankus stands in front of his F-100 Super-sabre jet, the type he was flying when shot down over a Vietnamese jungle.

Alumnus Safe After Daring Viet Rescue

A former University Air Force ROTC cadet, 1st Lt. G. Kent Bankus, 24, was rescued recently from a Communist-infiltrated jungle in Vietnam in a dramatic pickup operation just seconds after his F-100 Supersabre jet was shot down.

Lt. Bankus held the position of cadet commander, the highest rank in the Air Force ROTC program, in 1964.

The tense pickup operation, about 40 miles northwest of Saigon, came 20 seconds after Lt. Bankus parachuted from his smoking aircraft.

The 1964 University graduate was flying close air support for Army troops making a helicopter assault landing against enemy forces when his jet, one of a flight of four, was hit by Communist groundfire.

He and his fellow pilots had dropped their bombs and were strafing the landing area with 20mm cannon fire when his plane was severely damaged.

"My rescue came in seconds, but my father spent two days in the water of the Pacific after his B-24 Liberator was hit in World War II," he said.

His father, M. Sgt. Dempsey Bankus, was an Air Force C-141 Starlifter flight engineer when he retired last August.

Lt. Bankus, a native of Shreveport, La., received his B.S. degree in electrical engineering. He is a member of Lambda Chi Alpha social fraternity.

Wins in Youth Program

Pinnell to Visit Senate

Patrick Louis Pinnell, son of Prof. and Mrs. Emmett Pinnell, 909 Edgewood Ave., has been selected as one of two Missouri high school seniors to represent the state in the 1967 United States Senate Youth Program, Jan. 22-28 in Washington D. C.

Selection was announced in a letter from the offices of U. S. Senators Stuart Symington and Edward V. Long today. Pinnell's designation is the result of a three-part selection for program participants which began at Hickman High School this fall.

Social studies teachers and counselors selected Pinnell on the basis of a personal history and activity form and an American government test administered by the State Department of Education. The information was forwarded to Jefferson City for final selection among 250 other students to be judged by a staff of state education board members.

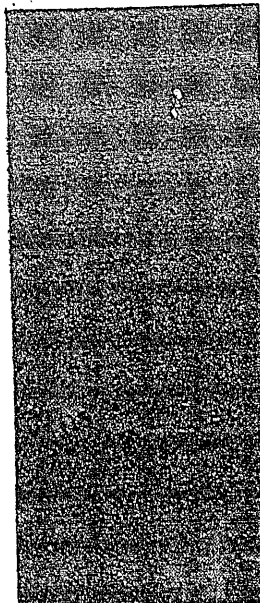
Eight finalists were then selected and interviewed in November in Jefferson City and from them Pinnell and Raymond

Broyles of Springfield were selected to represent the state in the youth program with representatives from the other 49 states.

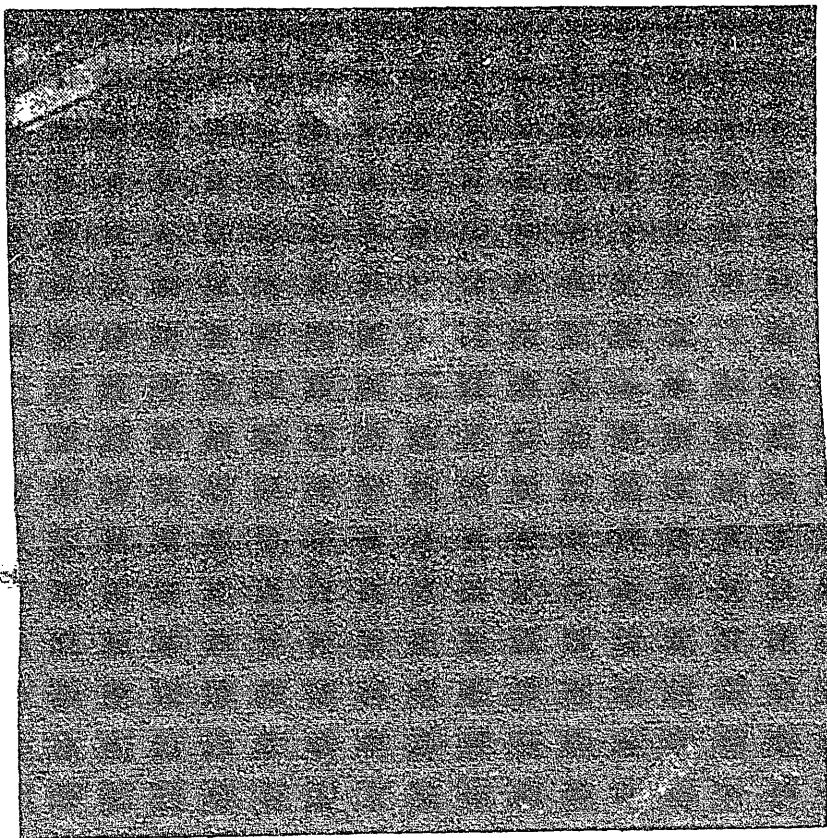
The program, designed to broaden the understanding of the U. S. Senate, Congress and the nation's Capitol is sponsored by the William Randolph Hearst Foundation. It involves an all-expense paid trip to Washington and a busy agenda under the direction of the Program Advisory Committee whose honorary chairman is Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey.

Students will spend time with their senators and will hear leading senators and other nationally known political figures, cabinet members, high ranking military men, a Supreme Court justice and other distinguished Americans.

Pinnell is a senior at Hickman where he is secretary of the Key Club, co-chairman of the Student Council Activities Board, member of National Honor Society, vice president of Blue Triangle and the Gamma Club.



PAT PINNELL



Merry Christmas---Gasp!

A smog-bound Santa rang out his Yuletide message for Christmas shoppers today in New York as he donned a gas mask in dramatic protest against

the foul air of the big city. He is part of a drive by an organization to enlist the aid of New Yorkers in seeking a solution to the pollution in the city.

State Colleges Criticized For Enrollment Policies

HILLSBORO, Mo. (AP)—State Sen. Earl R. Blackwell, D-Hillsboro, charged today that some state colleges are enrolling students who should not be in college "to justify higher appropriations."

Blackwell returned Monday night from a national conference of legislators on education in Washington.

"If our state colleges persist in the numbers game, I intend

to offer mandatory corrective legislation in this field," said Blackwell.

Blackwell said there was a high drop out rate among first year college students and "such students should not have been permitted to enroll."

The legislator, who was co-chairman of the governors conference on education held earlier this year in Columbia, said that the students in question should have been placed in junior colleges rather than four-year state colleges.

Middie Wins Cruise Award

Navy ROTC Mdn. Richard D. Webb, civil engineering junior at the University, was presented the Curator's Cruise Award this morning by Capt. Earl B. Johnson, professor of military science.

Each year the award is given to the midshipman who has accumulated the greatest number of outstanding performance marks from officers in the fleet during the program's three summer cruises. Webb spent two summers in the Pacific and one at Corpus Christi, Tex. Upon graduation next January, he will be commissioned as an officer in the regular Navy.

Fair & Warmer

Generally fair and warmer tonight and tomorrow. Low tonight in upper 20s; high tomorrow in 40s. Precipitation probability tonight and tomorrow, zero.

Mails Heavier At Post Office

The heavy load of outgoing Christmas mail is expected to continue increasing at the Post Office until Thursday or Friday this week. At that time, assistant postmaster Robert E. Thurston said, it should taper off to stop on Sunday or Monday when the rush of incoming mail should begin.

Last Sunday's load was not especially heavy, Thurston said, but pieces handled numbered about 50,000 ahead of last year at that time. The Post Office expects to be able to handle all Christmas mail without scheduling any extra deliveries, Thurston said.

"OTHER CONTRACTS could be signed momentarily, and this will allow us to go ahead and negotiate without any delay," he said.

Columbia voters approved \$1,585,000 in airport bonds in January, 1964.

The Council also approved a resolution allowing Allard and public works director Raymond Beck to lease land at the site back to the farmers who have sold it to the city.

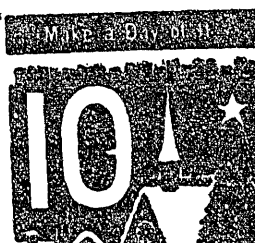
Noting that the agreements could be made on a one-year basis, Allard said, "In some cases where we know we're not going to need the land for a year, it might be to our advantage and to the farmers to put in a crop for another year."

Beck said the authority would give him some "maneuvering room" and would help the city "gain back some revenues from the land we've bought."

THE PRECINCT boundary ordinance was given first reading last night and passed by emergency passage in one night, with the city bond election set for today.

City clerk Glenn Wood said, "Primarily this bill extends boundaries out to the new city

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SHOPPING DAYS TO CHRISTMAS

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